

Rockwood DIGEST

A very talented Rockwood teen is making quite an impact on the art world. Eighteen-year-old Wendy Johnson has been asked by the directors to submit an entry for the cover of the National Arabian Show Program. If her cover is used, the original will be sold at auction during the national sale. Previous pictures used and auctioned brought sums in the four figures category.

Wendy has been painting horse pictures as long as she can remember and now produces work with definite adult flair. Her vibrant chalk pastels on velvet paper are unnerveing lifelike. Although her favourite subjects are Arabian horses, Wendy paints all breeds and has had quite a few commissions. She paints from photographs and also frames her own work.

In her spare time, Wendy, a recent graduate of Centennial Collegiate Vocational Institute in Guelph, trains Thoroughbreds for Frank Huarte in Acton and manages her parents Arabian farm, Travis Hall Arabians.



Wendy Johnson works on her art entry for the cover of the National Arabian Show Program.

Another Rockwood young person in the news is Brent Storey, 20, who has recently won the Ontario Cross-Country Trials Association Hipoint Level Two trophy for seniors.

He and his horse, Wyn Brae's Travis, a 12-year-old hunter gelding competed in 12 cross-country events during 1979, winning eight of them and coming second or third in the rest.

Each event was a timed race over 12 to 17 jumps along one-and-a-half to two miles of rough country terrain.

Brent is proud that he and Travis never had a fall.

Annual meetings—this is the time of year for them. The Stone United Church in Eramosa held their meeting on January 20.

Among the many items of business and elections, was the happy report that Sunday School members number 74 with 28 students receiving good attendance pins.

During 1979, seven marriages were performed, one baptism was solemnised and five members were received by profession of faith.

United Church Women led an active year with items on their agenda such as quiltings, caterings, banquets and Eden Nursing Home assistance. They donated to service funds and sponsored a child overseas through World Vision.

News briefs: Rockwood enters the realm of pool tournament fame. Brian Hodge and Mike Gauvreau won the trophy at a recent tournament held at Wayne Hardmans "Games People Play" games hall in the plaza. Guelph players have always won the trophies before, so contestants were doubly delighted.

Swanston Farm Equipment of R.R. 3, Rockwood will have a booth at the up and coming Annual Farm Show at the Coliseum in Toronto. They will be the only local people exhibiting, so drop by and say "hi". Dates of the show are January 29 to February 1.

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Line up for firefighters

For the first time in years the Rockwood-Eramosa Fire Department has more than two names on the list of volunteers who wish to be firefighters.

Fire chief Carl Meadows said there are seven men who have applied and are waiting on the list as of Monday. Nor-

mally there are one or two people waiting, he said.

The increase is of benefit to the community because some of the men are in the area during the daytime, he said.

One man will soon join the department and fulfil the normal complement of 28.

Split film costs

Halton Roman Catholic Separate School Board will be facing higher costs from the public school board for sharing a film library if an agreement is inked.

Halton Board of Education is proposing changes in agreement, changes which mirror the Catholic Board's percentage of film circulation.

Churchill

Freemans returning from New Zealand

Mrs. J. Turner Mr. and Mrs. Frank Freeman recently returned from a 33-day trip to New Zealand to attend the Edwards family reunion. (Frank's mother was an Edwards). On Christmas and Boxing Days over 40 family members, some from England, the United States, Canada and Aus-

tralia, assembled at the home of Ted Edwards, Wharangeri, 100 miles north of Auckland, North Island. Lucinda's Christmas cake was cut in tiny pieces and passed around as a special treat. During the time they were there, Frank and Lucinda enjoyed many one-day tours to places of interest, and also three

bus tours. There was a nine day trip to South Island. The highlight of this tour was a trip to Dunedin, where they visited with Rev. and Mrs. Luke Jenkins, a relative of the Ted Edwards. Rev. Jenkins is a former moderator of the Presbyterian Church in New Zealand and is presently teaching at the

university. North Island is a volcanic island, and Frank and Lucinda took a tour to the famous Hot Springs. This is an area full of geysers and bubbling hot holes. The steam is being harnessed for domestic use; the hotel they stayed at was heated by steam from

underground. One deep bore can produce steam for heating four homes. Another three day tour was to the tip of North Island, where they could see the Pacific Ocean and Tasmanian Sea.

about two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Denny and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Denny attended the funeral Saturday of their brother-in-law, Lloyd McMurdo, who passed away Wednesday, January 23, after a brief illness. Also attending from this neighborhood were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Denny, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Denny, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Denny, and Miss Joyce Denny. Mrs. McMurdo is the former Edith Denny of this community, and sympathy is extended to her and the family at this time.

4-H elect officers

by Susan O'Connor The first meeting of the Ballinafad 4-H club was held at our leader's home, Mrs. Slessoraitis Saturday, January 26 at 9 a.m.

Officers of the club elected are: President Kathy Lozinski. Vice President Lynn Sinclair, Secretary Helen Sworts, Treasurer, Christine Curry, press reporter Susan O'Connor and assistant leader Shelly Wil-

son. Members discussed energy conservation and metric measurements in the kitchen. The club cooked Chinese style pork. In the future members will be cooking Tortillas, Cabbage rolls, crepes, deep dish pizzas, chicken cacciatore and many more exciting recipes.

Beardmore came to Acton in 1865, after being first established in 1844.

Ballinafad

Fifty attend W.I. eucher party

by Winifred Smith Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thomson, Silvercreek opened their spacious home on Friday evening as they welcomed guests. The occasion being a eucher party sponsored by the Ballinafad Women's Institute.

There were almost 50 present. Ten tables were set up in the recreation room and they were all in play. President Mrs. Slessoraitis was present to welcome all. Twelve games of progressive eucher were played. The

winners for Ladies, first, Mrs. Ruth Polo and Mrs. Lillian Jackson. The mens' prizes went to George Burt and Tom Given. The travelling prizes were won by Winnie Smith and Fred Shortill.

To add to the party atmosphere a large birthday cake was served in honor of the six W.I. members who all had January birthdays. Those so honored were: Agnes McEnery, Lola Marshall, Eileen McEnery, Eleanor McLean,

Reggie Slessoraitis and Ada Kirkwood. The birthday song was sung then all enjoyed a piece of the cake.

The president on behalf of W.I. thanked the host and hostess for sharing their home.

Sincere and heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Roberts in the loss their little son Thomas Graham.

Congratulations to the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Walker who were married on Friday. Mrs. Walker was the former Patricia Swindlehurst younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Swindlehurst of Ballinafad.

of Scripture "Man Can not Live by Bread Alone."

There was a poor attendance at the community centre for their annual meeting on Sunday afternoon. All former members of the hall board resigned. A new slate of officers could not be put in at this time. Ida and Eddie Smith, Paul Metcalfe and Bonnie Murr volunteered to carry on with activities for the present. The plans made for the renovations to the hall will be continued. A date for another community meeting will be set for the near future. A newsletter will be sent out shortly to residents of the area.

Township wants stop signs

Eramosa Township council is pressing to have more traffic safety equipment installed on the Eden Mills Road and County Road 44.

Council is recommending to Wellington County that a four-way stop or flashing light or some rumble strips be installed.

There are stop signs to the north and south of the

intersection. County Rd. 44 becomes Halton Rd. 1, or as it is more commonly known, the Guelph Line.

Halton Region refused to consider a four-way stop for the spot, according to a letter to the township received Monday.

Councillors are still getting complaints from residents about vehicles running the stop signs.

Appointments

Eramosa Township Council made the following appointments to committees and boards January 21.

To the library board: Ron Martin, Bernie Dryden, Raebael Hockey, Heta McPhedran and Ken McKay.

Councillors John McLeod and Murray Cox

were named to the Eramosa Recreation Committee along with C. Harworth, B. Wynneck, Lorraine Rosh, Lloyd Dyer, Alex Lush, Sandy Hudson and Bill Adair.

Murray Cox and Ron Martin are on the Rockwood Centre Board with Harry Bonner, Donna Ford, Gary Ritchie and Walter Swanston.

Ebenezer

P. Kitching tribute

by Mrs. R. McLean Ebenezer Church's annual meeting was opened with a tribute to the late Percy Kitching. Mr. Finley read The Song of the Fathers, from Ecclesiastes 44. "Let us now praise famous men"

On Sunday, John Kitching sang, "The Lord is my Shepherd." The Lord is depicted in many ways. The lawyer, (one who understood religious laws), waited till there

was a crowd, because he wanted to discomfit Jesus, by his question about eternal life.

The scribe trying to justify himself, asked "Who is my neighbour?"

The Samaritan didn't mind the danger. Jesus stands at the dark roadside of the world and blesses the needy. Like the Samaritan, who said if any more was required, he would supply it, Jesus provides for the future.

Millionaires' night success

by Winifred Smith Millionaires' night held at the community centre was reported to be quite successful. There was a good crowd on hand to enjoy the games of various types. The bidding was brisk at the auction sale at midnight.

The community responded quite well with donations for the auction and the committee certainly appreciated the help received by all those who attended and helped in many ways to make the event a success.

Reports were given for 1979 and plans made for 1980.

Sympathy is extended to the Adams' family who recently suffered the loss of a wife and mother in the passing of Mrs. Adams. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Adams were former residents of the community but for the past few years have made their home in Harriston, Ontario.

We were sorry to hear Mrs. Paul Eckert had been under the weather lately with a severe attack of jaundice. Her many friends hope she is responding to treatment and will be able to be out and around again soon.

Mrs. Morgan Madill was released from Hospital on Friday after undergoing surgery and is recuperating at her home.

Baby baptized

The men's choir favored with an anthem on Sunday during the church service. It was Communion Sunday also. Relatives of the Brown family were present to witness the ceremony of the Sacrament of Baptism, as Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brown presented their little son, Gordon Peter to be baptized. Many of the congregation stayed for lunch as the annual meeting was held in the afternoon when

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